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In re application of: Gary F. Hirsch, David M. hall and Robert T. Patton
Assignee: Environmental Textiles L.L.C.
Application No.: 09/963,854 Group No.: 1746
Filed: September 26, 2001 Examiner: Frankie L. Stinson
For: TRENCH PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR DYE REMOVAL FROM DENIM SCRAP

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
- Prior to abandonment of the application
 - Payment of the issue fee

Issue fee has been paid, however a petition under § 1.313 is being filed herewith to withdraw the application from issue.

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith are:

Information Disclosure Statement, inclusive of 5 references of cited art.

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of small entity (and status is still as small entity).

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 375.00

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EXTENSION OF TIME

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$	375.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$	375.00

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

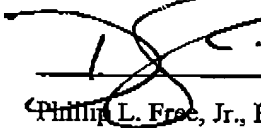
8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Form PTO-2038 - Credit Card Payment Form is attached authorizing payment in the amount of \$375.00 for RCE filing fee.

Please charge any required additional fees to Deposit Account 13-0110.

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Respectfully submitted,


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